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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BOMBAY STRIKERS' RIOT

OUTLOOK SERIOUS.

LONDON, February 1.
A Bombay telegram dated January 20, states the cotton workers' strike took an ugly turn today when a mob of strikers began looting. The military were ordered to fire and one person was killed and five wounded. Quiet has been restored and all shops in the mill district are closed.
The strike is spreading, ten thousand dock workers having joined the movement. The outlook is regarded as serious.

AN EARTHQUAKE

SEATTLE, Jan. 25.
Three distinct earthquake shocks were felt at 11.08 last night at Bellingham. Windows were broken and brickwalls cracked. At Vancouver, Victoria, and other cities in British Columbia, the earthquake was also felt.

EXTREMISTS IN AMERICA.

THE RECENT ROUND-UP.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.
President Wilson and the Secretary for Labour have decided that the communist party in America is a revolutionary party within the meaning of the American deportation law, therefore have approved the order for deporting to Austria the alien named Preiss. The disposal of cases against a large number of aliens arrested during the recent roundup of extremists, have been upheld pending this decision.

ANOTHER SALE OF EX-GERMAN VESSELS.

RIO DE JANEIRO, February 1.
The newspapers state that American bankers are negotiating with the Brazilian Government for the sale to the United States of 26 ex-German vessels for about thirty-six million dollars.

"POWHATAN" PASSENGERS ARRIVE.

NEW YORK, February 1.
The transport "Northern-Pacific" has arrived with all the 271 passengers of the "Powhatan" and also the last of the American troops from France.

NO PANIC ON "POWHATAN."

NEW YORK, February 1.
There were eleven women and eight children among the "Powhatan" passengers but there was no panic. The women boarded the "Northern-Pacific" singing.

OBITUARY.

NEW YORK, February 1.
The death is announced of the well-known author the Reverend C. T. Brady.

AGAINST INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, January 29.
The papers publish a manifesto signed by prominent trade unionist and laborites, including Messrs Bowerman and Cynes, urging for immediate and complete peace with soviet Russia. It declares that the signatories will do their best to oppose Britain's entrance into any war against the Bolsheviks. They do not believe the labour party if it comes into power, will regard itself bound by military commitments made secretly.

CAIRO BOMB OUTRAGE.

CAIRO, January 28.
A man posing as a photographer threw a bomb at a motorcar containing Sirry Pasha, the Minister of Public Works. The Minister was unhurt, but the car was shattered. The assailant was not caught.

AUTHORITIES SHOULD NOT HAVE IT BOTH WAYS.

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. Wood with having medicine in Yaumati without a licence, he denied that he was hawking, but said that he was treating a patient and took the medicine to the man. The Police said the defendant was seen receiving 20 cents. He admitted this, but said that it was in the nature of a commission money to cover his ferry expenses to and from Yaumati. His Worship said he thought the defendant should have a licence, and remanded the case for a week in order that he should get one. The defendant said as he did not have an old licence, he could not get one. He had tried but failed. Sergt. Ogg said there was quite a lot of difficulty to get hawker's licences. His Worship repeated that he thought the defendant should have one, and the sergeant promised to look into the matter and see if he could not get the defendant one.

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NOTICE.

SERGEANTS' MESS.

The Sergeants' Mess will be closed from the 2nd instant until the new Corps is formed.
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BISHOP LANDER RESIGNS.

The February "Church Notes" report the resignation of the Hongkong Anglican Bishop. On exchange, Bishop Lander's actual income has worked out at less than \$300 a month. As "Church Notes" says, "This is certainly not enough to support a Bishop." etc. "We church people of Hongkong can hardly expect to find a Bishop willing to pay out of his own pocket for the privilege of being our Bishop, and if we are anxious to have a Bishop here something will have to be done to provide him with a living wage, and a suitable house." It is mentioned that the organist, Mr. Denman Fuller, is turning. A special vote of thanks is recorded to Mr. J. W. White, who acted in Mr. Fuller's absence.

A thick fog overhung the Harbour early this morning, rendering navigation somewhat hazardous and launches and other craft had to creep about at quarter speed to the accompaniment of incessant blasts from sirens.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE BRITISH EMPIRE AND AVIATION.

LONDON, January 27th.
The Times, in the course of a leader pointing out the great part aviation must play in the future of the Empire, says:—
To us more, perhaps, than to any other nation the proper use of the aeroplane for peaceful ends is of most vital importance for communication with the outlying parts of the Empire and with India, Canada, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand. It would be difficult to overestimate the importance of the possibilities that would be opened up by Empire air routes already surveyed, such as that from Cairo to the Cape, and others still to be organized. There is a vast amount of pioneer work to be done before these routes can be open to ordinary civilian passengers, to statesmen, merchants and commercial travellers to whom time is an urgent factor; but difficult and dangerous as the work is bound to be, it must and will be done, for within the Empire nothing else, not even the personal magnetism of the Prince of Wales, will prove more valuable as an instrument not only for the annihilation of time and space, but for drawing ever closer the ties of sympathy and mutual understanding which bind together the Mother Country and the Dominions.

LONDON TO THE CAPE BY AEROPLANE.

LONDON, January 28th.
Attempts are now being made to carry out a flight from London to the Cape via Cairo. The first machine, Vickers-Vimpy, has reached the south of France and is proceeding to Egypt. The second, an Airco, starts immediately, while a third, manned by South Africans, will probably leave next week.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISTS AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, January 28th.
After full consideration by Mr. Lloyd George, Signor Nitti and M. Millerand, the Government has refused Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, M. Roden and Mr. Buxton passports to go to Russia as part of a delegation appointed by the Berne International Socialist Congress.

AMERICAN RIFLES FOR IRISH REBELS.

LONDON, January 27th.
The Daily News reports that 3,000 American rifles were landed a fortnight ago on the coast of Clare and successfully distributed.

INDIA AND ENEMY ALIENS.

DELHI, January 27th.
The Indian Government has notified that enemy aliens will not be permitted to enter India until five years after the conclusion of Peace.

INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, January 28th.
The influenza epidemic in New York, and Chicago continues to increase, but the mortality rate is low. There were 3,664 new cases and 57 deaths in New York yesterday; and 1,378 cases and 93 deaths in Chicago. There were also 112 deaths from pneumonia in New York and 91 in Chicago.

THE BOLSHIEVICS AND THE ENTENTE.

LONDON, January 30th.
According to the Paris Journal Debats the Bolshevik Government has informed the Allies that it will not authorize the resumption of commercial relations except after the conclusion of an armistice, and if it is not concluded all ships of the Entente at present in Russian ports will be sunk.

THE DESTRUCTION OF GERMAN AEROPLANES.

COPENHAGEN, January 27th.
Two hundred aeroplanes were destroyed in the recent fire at Warnemunde. The damage is estimated at several million marks.

WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FROM PLANET.

LONDON, January 27th.
Signor Marconi describes in the Daily Mail an extraordinary series of sounds picked up by wireless throughout the world. He thinks it possible that they may emanate from another planet. SCIENTISTS SCEPTICAL.
LONDON, January 28th.
Scientists are sceptical regarding the suggestion of the Daily Mail that other planets are attempting to communicate with the Earth by wireless. They generally attribute the mysterious sounds to solar magnetic disturbances.

P. & O. BANKING CORPORATION.

LONDON, January 29th.
It is authoritatively announced that the prospectus of the Peninsular and Oriental Banking Corporation, of which Lord Inchcape will be Chairman, has been postponed until April at the request of Mr. Chamberlain (Chancellor of the Exchequer) that no issue should be held over until the Government Bonds are out of the way.
The Peninsular and Oriental Company and also Lloyd's, the London County and Westminster, and the National Provincial Banks are participating in the issue, with a certain preference in favour of stockholders of the first-named company. The bond issue will be £10,000,000. It is intended to gradually open business at ports where the P. & O. Company and its allies operate, in the East and Australia, and elsewhere. The authorized capital will be £25,000,000, and £20,000,000 will be paid up. The bank will offer increased facilities for British trade all over the world.

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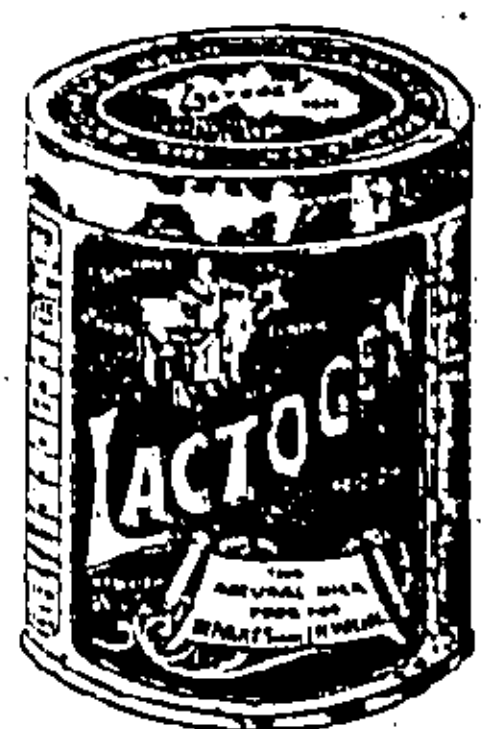
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The League of Nations Covenant has begun to work in Europe. The tremendous suffering among the civilian populations of Central Europe, greatly increased during the sporadic warfare in Russia and Poland and Hungary which followed the Allies' armistice with Germany, has called forth a world-wide League of Red Cross Societies to combat ravages of disease in Europe more awful than the ravages of war itself. This Red Cross League was inspired by the article of the Covenant quoted above, and was brought into being, amid great enthusiasm, at a ten-days' conference of leading medical experts of the world, held at Cannes (France) early last April. It was this work which Dr. Truby King, one of the members, spoke so glowingly about the other day as he passed through Melbourne and Sydney on his way home to New Zealand.

A committee of Red Cross societies had been working at plans for a combination five months before the conference at Cannes, and with the approval and endorsement of the Governments of the five Great Powers—Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, and the United States—had been constituted "to formulate, and to propose to the Red Cross societies of the world, an extended programme of Red Cross activities in the interests of humanity." As a result of the Cannes conference, the societies represented on the committee have now become founder members of the Red Cross League, and have invited other Red Cross societies into membership. Australia, among others, has since become a member.

HAPPINESS OF ALL MANKIND.

The periodical bulletins issued from the offices of the league at Geneva, copies of the first few of which have reached Australia, make inspiring reading. The League announces that it will establish intimate relations with the League of Nations, and with the various Governments of the world, but that it is preserving the genius of the Red Cross, and is remaining a purely voluntary organisation, non-political, non-governmental, and non-

sectarian. Its chief aims are to establish and develop in every country a duly authorised voluntary national Red Cross organisation, to bring within the reach of all mankind the benefits of medical and scientific research, and to furnish a medium for co-ordinating relief work in case of great national or international calamities. Speaking at the Cannes conference Sir Arthur Stanley, of the British Red Cross, revealed some of the spirit behind the League in a congratulatory address to Mr. H. P. Davidson (United States), the first chairman of the board of governors. "I believe," he said, "that this League of Red Cross Societies is destined to play a great part in the history of the world. I believe that the bringing together of the humanitarian interests of every country in the world will go far towards the establishment of permanent peace, and will do much to place the League of Nations on a firm foundation."

The chairman of the board, Mr. Davidson, himself set out the future work of the league in glowing words. "From the outset it was clear to us all that there was no institution in the world so well adapted to this task to cope with world problems of disease and disaster as the Red Cross, because of the peculiar hold which it has upon the hearts of all peoples, irrespective of differences of race and religion, because of its 50 years of honourable service in all quarters of the globe, because of the amazing development of its powers in the recent war, because the health problems of the world can never be solved by doctors alone, nor by Governments alone, but must enlist the hearty co-operation of the peoples themselves."

This movement has in it great possibilities of adding immeasurably to the happiness and welfare of mankind. This statement represents the judgment of men qualified to speak with the highest authority of the great scourges of humanity, such as tuberculosis, malaria, venereal disease, and typhus and other epidemics. But the Red Cross League does not stop at fighting diseases. It aims at educating people of all nations in such matters as child welfare, nursing, sanitation, and public health generally. The Red Cross League, as evidence of the necessity of this international work, quotes the official statement that the number of people killed over four years of war was 7,300,000, while the deaths in India alone from influenza were 8,000,000 in 14 months. "There is no doubt," says Mr. Davidson, "that more people died in 14 months from influenza than were killed in the four and a half years of war. I believe that if this movement had been organised two years ago, from the watchtower there would have been seen this conflagration (the influenza) coming, and an organised attack would have been made on it."

TYPHUS PLAGUE IN POLAND.

Hardly had the Red Cross League been formed and the Cannes conference concluded, when the first urgent work of the sort the conference had talked about presented itself. In May last the league drew the attention of all Member Societies of the Red Cross to the conditions of disease and misery in Eastern Europe, and particularly to the typhus epidemic which was sweeping over Western Russia. The result of the appeal was the despatch of a medical commission to Poland to report on the most urgent requirements. The commission found that the case of Poland was complicated by the fact that the Polish Government, besides combating the typhus and feeding and clothing refugees and orphans, was waging war along the whole of its eastern frontier. Nearly all the Polish doctors were with the army, and for civilian troubles only one for every 10,000 of population remained. From January to July, 1919, the number of declared typhus cases in Poland was 124,620. The seriousness of the epidemic is shown by the estimate of the Polish Minister for Health that it would be necessary to establish a sanitary cordon from the Black Sea to the Baltic, and to erect barracks to accommodate half a million persons along the line of the cordon. The Red Cross League commission pointed out that such measures with a war going on were impracticable, and that the Polish army front was a useful cordon for a considerable distance. It recommended, however, that the league should assume direction of all Red Cross efforts in Poland, and co-ordinate them with other voluntary relief work; provide certain cleansing stations, ambulances, and simple means of disinfection, and large quantities of soap, clothes, and drugs. It proposed to set up a hundred hospitals of 300 beds each, and to supply, as a beginning, 100 nurses and 50 doctors. The "sanitary cordon" will resolve itself into the establishment of half a dozen main observation stations, properly equipped, to deal with the main streams of refugees.

The commission found "the countries of Eastern Europe striving with means pathetically insufficient to stem the westward advance of diseases which, if unchecked, may ravage Europe. The commission's first list of stores required is a dreadful reflection of the state of Poland. The list is:—
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NOTICES.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA BUILDING on THURSDAY, 5th February, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the REPORT OF DIRECTORS together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1919.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday 28th January to Thursday 5th February, 1920, (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER OF SHARES can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary to the
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
General Agents for the
KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.
Hongkong, January 21, 1920.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, 7th February 1920, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December 1919.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY 26th January to 7th February 1920 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KANT TONG FO,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, January 20, 1920.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited, on MONDAY, the 9th February, 1920, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1919.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to 8th February, 1920, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 28, 1920.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDREDTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 10th FEBRUARY, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company, will be CLOSED from January 27th to February 10, 1920, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 14, 1920.

FILM LASSITUDE.

Do Cinemas Induce Languor?

Do constant visits to cinemas induce lassitude? This question is provoked by the fact that some people complain that after a visit to "the pictures" a weary languid feeling takes possession of them, with a severe headache. The probable explanation is that the cinema is really a test of one's health. When a person is run-down or aemic, a visit to "the pictures" produces the symptoms mentioned. In such cases the hint should be taken promptly, and measures adopted for building up the health to normal. Some interesting facts have been related concerning a young woman engaged in the film industry as "examiner," an exacting duty in the manufacture of films. To undertake this work necessitates an individual being in the best of health. This is the view of Miss E. Langton, of 55, Albany Street, Regent's Park, London, who is employed as a film examiner by a London company. Through suffering severely from lassitude and general debility she found her work difficult to carry on, and has been compelled at different periods to stay away from business. Now she has completely recovered, thanks to the curative powers of Dr. Williams' pink pills. "When about 19 years of age I became very aemic," she said in an interview. "I took many different kinds of medicine but no good resulted. This went on for a long time, and I found it almost impossible to cope with my work as a film examiner. I felt unhappy, helpless and irritable, work was a trouble, and I had to stay at home sick many times. I never wanted to sleep, or indeed to get up in the morning. Through the day I was always tired, and my limbs ached all day long. Time after time I was under the care of doctors, but they seemed unable to make me well. One day I met a friend, who had suffered as I was then suffering, and she told me of the wonderful benefits she had derived from Dr. Williams' pink pills. She advised me to try them at once. I purchased a supply and at the end of the first week I found myself improving in health. As I persevered with the pills my tiredness disappeared, my appetite became better, and in the mornings I got out of bed feeling quite a fresh. I found my work less arduous during the day, and at night I was able to sleep well. Now I feel ten times better than I did a little while ago. I feel quite a different woman altogether. I heartily recommend anyone suffering from general debility, aemic, and similar ailments to try Dr. Williams' pink pills: they are really wonderful. If you are suffering from impoverished blood you cannot afford to wait another day before giving Dr. Williams' pink pills a thorough trial. Go to any dealer and obtain a supply, or send \$1.50 for a bottle, \$3.00 for 6, to Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 98 Szechuen Road, Shanghai. The price includes postage.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. on FRIDAY, February 6, 1920, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1919.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, January 27, 1920 to FRIDAY, February 6, 1920. BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 23, 1920.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

APPLICATION has been made to this Company to issue to Mr. NEWMAN MUMFORD, a Duplicate Certificate of ONE HUNDRED (100) SHARES in this Company, of other Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof upon statement that the Original Certificate No. 8250 dated September 17th, 1918, for 100 Shares numbered 18,735/18,736, 35,752/38,600, 45,636/52, and 12,871/22, has been LOST or DESTROYED; and NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days from the date hereof no CLAIM or REPRESENTATION in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the Company, it will thereafter be held to be NULL AND VOID and the Company will proceed to deal with such application for a Duplicate Certificate.

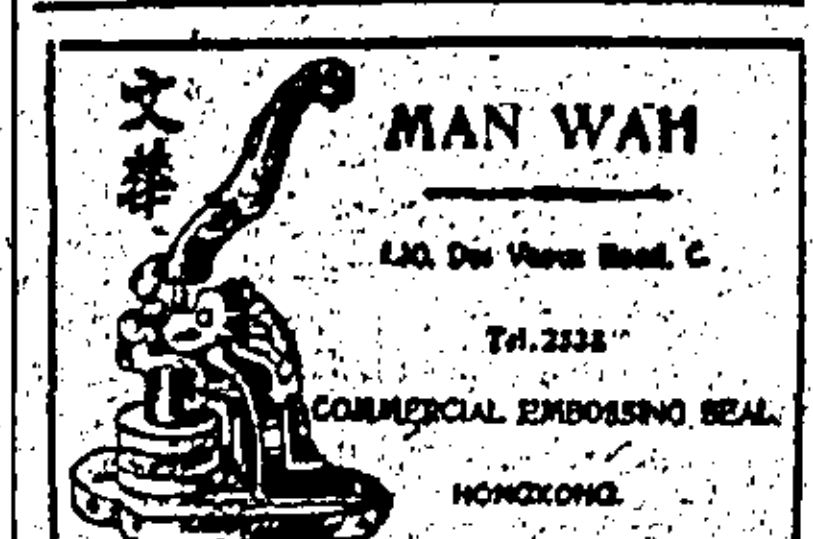
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 8, 1920.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the above named Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 6th day of February, 1920, to MONDAY, the 16th day of February, 1920, both days inclusive.

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INDIAN PRINCES.

"AFTER THE WAR" DANGERS IN INDIA.

AN INNOVATION.

The Viceroy, opening the Conference of Ruling Princes and Chiefs on November 3, spoke of the advantage of such a gathering afforded to exchange ideas with the Princes who shared the burden of ruling India.

Lord Chelmsford said the British Empire was at peace in Europe and the East, and tranquillity reigned in India, but the difficulties and dangers of peace were less patent than those of war, and accordingly were difficult to cope with. The new after-war spirit was the greatest danger, he declared, that had ever faced mankind, and the Princes and Chiefs could lend valuable assistance by guarding their States against a lawless and malicious spirit and by refusing to tolerate lying stories as to the motives of the British Government. He counselled the rulers to introduce substantial reforms in the States' building, the ancient edifice which had stood the test of centuries.

The Viceroy announced the Government's intention to create a permanent Chamber of Princes. It was of the highest importance that the question of admission to the Chamber should be dealt with on broad and generous lines, the deciding factor being the status of the particular State, not the personal qualifications of the ruler for the time being. He entirely agreed as to the importance of maintaining the status quo in feudatory relations.

Rulers qualified for admission to the Chamber would be called ruling princes, and the rulers of lesser States Ruling Chiefs. Attendance and voting would be voluntary, the Chamber being a consulting and not an executive body. The interests of absent rulers would be sufficiently safeguarded. Direct transactions in business between the Government of India and the State would not be prejudiced by the institution of the Chamber, each State maintaining the right to direct communication with the Government. The Chamber should not discuss the internal affairs of any State or of any individual ruler.

The Durbar had been invited to report on the failure of the British Government to fulfil treaties and engagements, and 15 States had intimated that they had no complaint to make. In the matter of extra-territorial jurisdiction, telegraph construction, limitation of armaments, coinage, currency, and opium, the policy of the Imperial Government in relation to the States had changed, but there had been no deliberate wish to curtail the powers of the Princes and Chiefs. The Government of India had acceded to the request of the Durbar to have a voice in the formulation of political practice, with the reservation that, as paramount Power, it retained the right of ultimate decision respecting the principles to be adopted and the extent of their application.

It was the intention of the Government to adopt the proposal for the appointment of a standing committee, which would continue the work of the permanent committee engaged on the codification of political practice, the initiative being restricted absolutely to matters of common concern to the States.

The Maharaja of Gwalior moved a resolution congratulating the Government on the conclusion of peace. The Maharaja of Bikanir, seconding, said the war had brought home the real identity of interest between the British Government and the Indian Princes.

A TRAVELLING EXHIBITION.

JAPANESE MILLIONAIRE'S GREAT SCHEME.

More than a decade ago, a plan for a travelling exhibition was launched, the "Rosetta," a warship captured in the Russo-Japanese War, being fitted out as an exhibition ship and sent round to the various Japanese ports. Another plan of a similar kind, but on a much larger scale, is reported to be under way, the promoter being a certain Japanese millionaire. His idea is that a steamer of 10,000 tons should be chartered from the Kokusai Kisen Kaisha (International Steamship Company), the interior of the vessel should be completely reconstructed so as to be converted into a sort of exhibition of the various products of Japan, besides having rooms for entertainments and other purposes, and that the ship should be sent on a round-the-world trip. By this means, it is proposed that the world should be made more intimately acquainted with Japanese products. Whenever the exhibition ship makes a call at a foreign port, the representative citizens of the place are to be invited. It is expected that the scheme will meet with popular enthusiasm, especially with the opportunity being eagerly utilised by the prospective exhibitors, as they will be able to make a tour of the world, while introducing their products to the world, without paying their passage beyond the charges of the exhibition shelves. The present programme is that all preparations should be completed by April next. Marquis Okuma or Viscount Kiyoura will be asked to assume the Presidency of the projected novel exhibition.

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NEWS, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEB. 2, 1920.

MEN WHO MUST GO.

Today one of our correspondents refers to the additional Convention between France and China, that was signed at Peking on June 20, 1895, and reaffirmed during the World War. The material Article (the fifth) reads in part as follows: "It is understood that China, for the exploitation of its mines in the provinces of Yunnan, Kwangsi, and Kuangtung, will address itself, in the first instance, to French commerce and engineers, otherwise subject to the rules and edicts by the Imperial Government which affects national industry."

Our correspondent calls attention to the fact that about the time when France was in a tight place, her executive fled from Paris to Bordeaux, and Britain giving of her best to save her, some agent of France busied himself about getting that exclusive convention confirmed. Our New Territories march with Kwangtung.

French influence in China does not dwindle in war or in peace, and when that influence seems so definitely to operate against the principle of the Open Door, it becomes a duty to call attention to it. That the co-director-general of the Chinese postal department should be French, and that the Credit Foncier d'Extreme-Orient should be given so much to do with the new post-office buildings referred to, concerns us less than the thought that we are as it were cherishing and supporting in our midst people whose interests are not ours, and who appear to be working against our interests.

The recent appearance of an un-called-for and unwanted committee to consider our economic resources in this Colony has called pointed attention to several well-known and significant facts, that had hitherto not seemed so important. The Chairman of that Committee, Sir Paul Chater, who is also a member of the Executive Council, is generally credited with having had a great deal to do with the development of the economic resources of our New Territories. It is also recognized that in these developments he has had closely associated with him the Rev. Fr. Robert, whose relations with the Credit Foncier d'Extreme Orient we can at present only guess at.

Together these two gentlemen are concerned very closely and very extensively in the business enterprises of this Colony; and we take it the objection we have to this arrangement is plain enough. With such

material interests Sir Paul Chater should not have been chairman of that committee, nor even a member of it. He should have been a witness. Moreover, with such interests, he should not have been included in the Executive Council, where it is obvious he must have had inside and prior knowledge of every proposal ever made to exploit our economic resources. With this in view, his further close association in business with the Rev. Fr. Robert, whose interests are so different from British interests, is all the more regrettable. If this Colony's development is to proceed on right lines, and if British trade in China is not to be handicapped, two men (as the political slogan has it) must go. Chater M.G. Robert M.G.

ADVERSARIA.

Japanese sailors on our MUZZLED streets on Saturday wore influenza muzzles. They looked very queer, with the flat attachments round their ears. They looked queerer when, in order to smoke, or for comfort, many of them allowed their nosebags to hang like white beards from their chins. Comments were various. It was said by some that the thing was a sort of insult to Hongkong, which has less flu than Japan. Others said it was hard lines on the gallant sailors to spoil their shore leave in that way. As for the China Mail, it says nothing.

The furniture shops THE DESIGN in Hongkong have ARGUMENT, a common type of bat stand on which some people hang coats also. A heavy coat pulls the thing over its base being too small for its weight. A man fond of "the argument from design" would point out that such a contrivance could not happen fortuitously, its circle of upward sloping pegs being so obviously designed to carry hats as a Christmas tree carries presents. Yet a tree grows that way, and a chopped down tree, with branches topped, would answer the purpose even better, though the "purpose" of branches is quite other. They were not even "designed" to hang Christmas presents on. Evidently out here it is not yet generally known that Paley's famous argument is no longer tenable. By placing his facts in the light of Evolution, science has deprived his argument of its force, so far as it applies the idea of special contrivance to individual organs such as the eye, etc.

This morning the A THOUGHTLESS streets were muddy MAN. after last night's rain. Consequently dogs were muddy, too, and not in a condition to be welcomed as lap dogs

by well-dressed people. The front seat of a tram this morning was monopolized as to three fourths of it by a nice looking man and a shaggy dog. The dog was stretched upon half the length of it. Part of the remaining fourth was occupied by a blue serge suit which visibly shrank from the muddy dog. At Wanchai, where tram accommodation is in excessive demand, there were two more candidates for that front seat. One was a Chinese school girl in sootless pale blue silk, white shoes and stockings. The man made his dog get down, but he left the little lady to wipe the seat with her tiny hanky. Her distress was plain. We accuse this gentleman of thoughtlessness as a minimum. The floor is the best place for dogs in any weather. Even to dog-lovers his conduct is an offence, because that sort of thing will cause the street-car company either to stop dogs altogether or to charge them fares.

Our "Gossip" actually had the cheek to suppose, to pretend, and to say on Saturday that her comments on the quality of this column constituted a "bouquet," which was slangy metaphor for complimentary reference. Incidentally she accused Us of egotism. These people are always incurable. The egotism is the Gossip's, for daring to assume a stance even of appreciation. If we may be permitted an analogy that will make plain our relative positions, we may say that the Gossip has put herself in the position of the American private soldier who slapped Marshal Foch on the back on armistice day and told him he was a bully soldier—for a Frenchman. As a matter of cold fact, the feature of this column is not so much its brilliant literary qualities as its profound and subtle thinking. Its acute analysis, its enormous erudition, its lofty and noble character, and its humorous attitude towards life generally. She may think it egotistic of us to mention that we are the brightest, best, and most beautiful thing that ever happened in Hongkong; but if it happens to be true, what else can we say? We cannot even return her any admiration for we are too busy admiring Ourselves. When we think what Hongkong would be without us, we can only wonder that the Town Band doesn't serenade us every afternoon, and that our statue in shining brass does not adorn the cathedral close. We didn't put "shining brass" in italics, preferring to take a chance and give you credit for some savvy.

A highly esteemed reader submits to us that Mr. Pollock was to blame for giving the Government an opening by proposing "something he must have known was impossible," namely, the resumption of the city areas occupied by the military. What makes it impossible? Our correspondent also thinks Mr. Pollock was wrong in arguing procedure with the Governor, who has "a perfect right to regulate procedure as he thinks fit." All right. We pass our aristocratic fingers across our marble brow, wearily, resignedly, and reflect that all sorts are needed to make a world.

If that were not conspicuous, truly we would not have in our cabled news this morning the statement that a man with a brain like Marconi's should believe that he heard messages emanating from another planet, or the Daily Mails pet "scientists" think that they have sufficiently answered that by talking of "solar magnetic disturbances." The dash-dot-dash business wasn't that and it wasn't from a mere planet. It may have been the angels talking.

When the P. & O. bank starts in every port where the P. & O. and its allies operate, something like an old-established monopoly will feel it. The dollar may drop. On the other hand, it may go higher. Watch the China Mail for further useful information on banking and high finance.

This steamship company P. & O. is on something like COMPANY, velvet, although the usual bonus to deferred stockholders was withheld this year. At the annual meeting on December 10 Lord Inchcape spoke of distributing amongst the deferred stockholders about £200,000 of deferred stock in proportion to their holdings, which, in view of the recent rise in the market value of the stock, ought to be bonus sufficient for any man. The Company controls 427 steamers aggregating a gross tonnage of 2,250,000—its wings are well spread. It is a curious coincidence that as soon as all the free ships came under charter to Government and the rates of freight and passage money were controlled by Government, they were advanced by anything from 19 per cent. to 85 per cent., and it is another coincidence that as soon as the steamers were freed from control in the spring of 1919 the rates were very considerably reduced. If there was any profiteering in freights and rates of passage, the shipowners were not the culprits. Hear, hear. May we look for a further very considerable reduction in passage rates? The applause will be hearty.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's dollar is worth 5s. 5½d.

Communicable disease returned to-day shows two cases of enteric and one of cerebro-spinal fever.

Goods by the s.s. "Van Waerwijck" must be cleared by to-morrow or they become subject to rent.

Mr. Wood this morning disposed of a number of charges against unlicensed hawkers by imposing fines ranging from \$2 to \$4.

Sir Arthur Brown, the famous aviator, will be a guest of the members of the Chamber of Commerce at to-morrow's meeting.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending January 17 amounted to 99,435 tons and the sales during the period to 75,669 tons.

H.M.S. "Cairo," flagship of Rear-Admiral George H. Bouché, R.N., C.B., commanding the 6th Light Cruiser Squadron, left Singapore on the 30th ult., for Hongkong and is due to arrive to-morrow.

We are sorry to learn that Inspector Kent of No. 2 Police Station has been laid up for nearly a week with influenza. He is improving, however, and should be discharged from the hospital in a couple of days' time.

H.M.S. "Titania," (Captain Frederick A. Somerville, R.N., D.S.O.), will leave Home shortly for Hongkong. On arrival, the vessel will take over the duties of "submarine depot ship," H.M.S. "Ambrose" becoming "second depot ship."

The Hqn. Sec. of the Canton Rowing Club has intimated to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club the intention of the former of entering at least three crews for the "four," "pair oars" and "double sculls" events of the latter's Regatta.

Fourteen Chinese who were this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with attempting to export \$900 worth of small silver coins, pleaded that they did not know that it was unlawful to export the money. They were sentenced to a fine of \$5 each and the silver money was confiscated.

Captain O. P. Rankin of the s.s. "West Conob" of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. reports that during the voyage between Hongkong and San Francisco, the propeller became loose, about 90 miles South of the Gap Rock Light Station. She returned to the colony on 30th ult. for repairs.

The Brezzy Garage is arranging for special motor car trips round the Island at reduced rates, as follows:—Chandler seven passenger car \$12, Hudson seven passenger car \$12, Overland five passenger car \$8. These rates constitute an appreciable reduction on current charges and should be much appreciated by those who desire to see the new road.

The Matron of the Helena May Institute, Miss Wills, who has been at the head of the Institution for a year and a half, is leaving this week for England. Her place is to be taken by Miss Dawson who has lived in China for many years. While welcoming their new matron, the residents and boarders of the Helena May Institute wish to extend to Miss Wills their hearty thanks for the good work accomplished and the interest shown to each one of them.

Charged with the unlawful possession of 2½ cattles of Chinese medicine roots, a Chinese this morning told Mr. Wood that it was given to him by a seaman who has since sailed away with his ship which would not be in port until another week. The Police said that when arrested, the defendant told the constable that he bought the stuff from the Yee Lai Yuen medicine shop, but on being taken to the shop, the people denied all knowledge of the affair. He was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Mr. F. Holroyd, Manager of Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. (Engineering Department) of Shanghai, is at present on a business visit to Hongkong, in the interests of the following firms:—Crossley Bros. Ltd., Manchester, Gas and Oil Engines; Thos. Piggott & Co., Birmingham, Pressed steel tanks, pipes; Lamborne & Co., Manchester, Steel structures, roofs; J. H. Carruthers & Co., Glasgow, pumping machinery; Geo. Turton, Platts & Co., Sheffield, Railway Springs, Buffers; Sir Elkannah Armitage & Sons, Ltd., Manchester, Canvas; B.K. Morton & Co., Sheffield, Mining Steel tools, files, drills; James Dawson & Son, Lincoln, Belting, mechanical leathers; Robert Beldam & Co., London, Asbestos goods, Packing; The Dictograph Products Corporation, New York, Intercommunication Telephones.

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[China Mail Special].

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.

It is suggested as a solution of the housing problem in Shanghai, that a remedy would be the importation of wooden bungalows from Vancouver. Local climatic conditions are believed to be favourable. One frame-house brought here sixty years ago is still sound. The housing problem is becoming increasingly acute.

A FORKCASTLE DEBATE.

AMERICAN SAILOR AND HIS GUN.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.

Nagasaki reports that a state of trouble has occurred aboard the "China." A dispute arose between an American member of the ship's crew and a Chinese seaman regarding silver forming part of the cargo. A general altercation ensued. The American was threatened by the Chinese crew, whereupon the former produced a revolver and fired, without injuring anybody. The American is now detained in custody.

STOLE FROM HIS GRANDMOTHER.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with the theft of some gold money and two finger rings, the property of his grandmother. The defendant said he had incurred some gambling debts, and as he was hard pressed by his creditors, he stole the things to pay his debts.

The Police said that the woman went to No. 2 Police Station on Feb. 1 and accused the defendant of stealing the articles. He was sent for, but at first denied all knowledge. Later he took the Police to the house, and from a beam, he produced two pawn tickets relating to the rings. He told the Police that he had changed the gold coins, and that they could not now be recovered. According to what the woman told the Police, this is the third time the defendant had stolen jewellery from her.

His Worship passed sentence of three months' hard labour, and said that the woman would have to pay compensation to the pawnbroker for the return of the jewellery which the defendant had pawned for \$10.

HAD A DAGGER.

Before Mr. Wood this morning, a Chinese was charged with the possession of a dagger. He said that a friend asked him to carry it for him. The Police said that a district watchman saw the defendant standing at the junction of Bonham and Pokfulam Roads listening to some strolling musicians. He suspected the defendant, and going up to him, pulled his cap off, and the dagger was found concealed in the peak of the cap. The defendant ran down Po Tak Street, towards the mortuary. The watchman gave chase and caught him.

His Worship told the defendant that he was going to deal severely with persons who carry daggers about the streets of Hongkong. He passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

DISHONEST LITTLE GIRL.

A little girl was this morning charged before Mr. Wood with the theft of five gold rings, three bracelets and \$30 in money the property of a woman she and her mother lived with, and the mother was charged with receiving stolen property. The girl pleaded guilty and said that she gave the articles to her mother.

The Police said that there was no evidence against the mother except what the daughter said. She alleged that she gave the jewellery to her mother, and the latter pawned them and bought herself three other gold rings with the proceeds. She alleged to have bought the girl a ring with the proceeds.

His Worship said there was no evidence to convict the mother and discharged her. The girl was convicted on her own confession and sentenced to one month's hard labour.

ARMED CHINESE.

Before Mr. Wood on Saturday, the hearing was concluded in the case in which two armed Chinese were charged with the unlawful possession of revolvers and ammunition. The first defendant was further charged with attempting to shoot Sgt. McFall with intent to prevent his lawful arrest. His Worship committed the first defendant to the Criminal Sessions, and reserved decision in the case of the other until Tuesday.

GOLF.

THE GOVERNOR'S SHIELD.

The final of the competition for the Governor's Shield was played off yesterday at Fanling the contestants being Messrs. R. L. Moncreiffe and R. Bruce of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and Messrs. S. H. Dodwell and A. Ritchie. The Shield went to the first named pair who scored a very convincing even, taking the match at the sixteenth green with the card showing four up and two to play. The handicaps were Moncreiffe and Bruce 19 and Dodwell and Ritchie 3. The latter pair seemed to be right off their game from the start, but this must not be allowed to detract from the merit of their opponent's game as they played very steadily and consistently throughout. Trouble came for Dodwell and Ritchie at the first hole, Ritchie's drive giving Dodwell an awkward tie to negotiate. He sent his shot into some trees. The other side were close to the pin in two, Moncreiffe playing a good second from a useful drive. Dodwell and Ritchie gave up the hole. The next four holes produced nothing of note the Bank pair finishing them with a lead of two. At the sixth, both tee shots were weak but Dodwell placed a good third shot which should have enabled him and Ritchie to take the hole. Bruce held out in six, putting his side three up. Both Dodwell and Ritchie seemed weak on the greens so that at the turn they were four down. They started off for the tenth well but their luck was right out in the matter of securing decent tees. They had seven shots and then gave the hole up. The next hole was halved, but the Bank pair with five up were in a very strong position. The twelfth was also halved, and the thirteenth went to Dodwell and Ritchie in five. Things here looked a little brighter for them as the next hole also went to them, leaving them three down with four to play. The game, however, only went to the next green, where Moncreiffe holed out at the third shot.

THE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

Playing a very consistent game Mrs. Winslow annexed the Ladies' Championship honours, beating Mrs. Maitland by six up and five to play. The winner was out in 46 (her opponent taking 51) and at the turn she was three holes ahead. After the tenth had been halved Mrs. Winslow again went ahead, winning the match at the 13th green.

A COOLIE SCRAMBLE.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with the theft of \$3.60 from a Chinese woman, and with acting improperly towards her. He pleaded "not guilty."

The complainant said that they were both coolies. Yesterday whilst they were scrambling for baskets at the China, Light and Power Company's godown, the defendant put his arms about her in an objectionable manner. She remonstrated with him and he went away. Later when she discovered that she had lost some money, she suspected him and laid information against him and had him arrested.

The defendant denied the woman's story and said that he was scrambling with the others for baskets, and the complainant bit his finger. He scolded her and all the other women set upon him and he ran away. A male witness gave corroborative evidence.

The Police said that when arrested, the money was not found on the defendant.

His Worship said he did not think the defendant had stolen the woman's money. He bound both parties over to keep the peace for six months in the sum of \$50 each.

INDIAN POLICE.

A hawker was this morning charged before Mr. Wood with selling vegetables without a licence, and with assaulting an Indian Lance Sergeant with the intent of preventing his arrest. He pleaded "guilty" to the first charge but denied the alleged assault. He said that the Indian accidentally fell down the steps, and accused him of assault, and then struck him.

The Indian constable said that he was in Kai Ying lane, off Des Voeux Road yesterday, when he saw the defendant selling vegetables and arrested him. Whilst they were going up the steps in Kai Ying lane, the defendant twisted his finger, and kicked him in the stomach, causing him to fall. Despite the fact that his turban fell off during the struggle, he held on to his man and dragged him down his basket before assaulting witness.

His Worship fined the defendant \$4 or seven days on the first charge, and sentenced him to six weeks' hard labour on the other.

A FORTY YEARS' TEST.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy has been curing coughs and colds for the past forty years, and has gained a popularity every year. What better recommendation is required? For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

"THE BETTER 'OLE'."

From to-morrow the Coronet Theatre is showing six reels of mirth under the title of "The Better 'Ole'" which introduces those famous inventions of Captain Bruce Bairnsfather, Old Bill, Bert and Alf. The picture itself is issued by the Welsh Pearson Co., Ltd., and is adapted by George Pearson and T. A. Welsh from the play of the same title by Bairnsfather and Arthur Elliott, which enjoyed great popularity at home. The film is entirely British—something unusual for this Colony of American serials—and in its production, photography and setting it has nothing to fear when compared with the work of other countries. The acting throughout is good and not overdone.

A word of advice to those who contemplate seeing the film—don't look too anxiously for a story. There isn't one, at least one that counts as cinema stories go. The pictures may be described as Bairnsfather's cartoons vivified and elaborated. Old Bill, Bert and Alf are immortal. The creation of the war, they will survive after it. Their irrepressible humour has helped many to carry on through dark days. "The Better 'Ole'" opens with a fairly lengthy prologue, commencing with "The Three Musketeers" who fade away to give place to three other musketeers, not so daintily dressed but more business like. Alf, in addition to his ordinary outfit, has a patent lighter. It is as well to watch this as Alf only gets it to work once and then at a very inconvenient moment. The reason why "this blinkin' war is being fought" is explained by The Poet and after some feet of incidental thereto, namely the arrival of troops from overseas, etc., the picture starts off in real earnest. From that time on there are few, if any, moments when one does not wish to look at the screen. If the acting is funny, there is plenty of merriment to be got from the descriptive lines which are thrown on the screen. Old Bill is shown in his true light. Blunt, and rough maybe, but with a noble sense of duty, Alf is the irresponsible one of the trio. When he is not experimenting with his patent lighter he is butting in on Bert. The last named is the Don Juan. He has a speech which is made to do duty for all his amours—and he uses it pretty often. The scenes of trench life are good. While a good idea is gained of conditions under which the men had to live, much of the sordidness is eliminated by the good humour of the inmates of "The Ritz." Then there is the homecoming, when a heaving vessel leads to the ejaculation "I wish they would 'old this blinkin' war in England." Old Bill finds himself welcomed to "The Better 'Ole'" a "pub," he has often longed for, incidentally he has earned a medal but how he did it had best be seen. It must not be thought the film is a series of burlesque situations. It is far from that and there are some little scenes which will cause as big a catch in the throat as the most "emotional" drama filmed. To-morrow, after the Coronet has opened doors, H. W. Ray can afford to stand outside and shout "If you know of better 'ole go to it." There won't be many who will turn away.

BUT WHY?

A Chinese woman was this morning charged before Mr. Wood with the unlawful possession of a large hammer head, which was found in a fishing basket. She said she picked it up from a rubbish heap on the Fraya in Kowloon, near the spot where she was in the habit of fishing. A Chinese constable said that when he questioned her, she said that the basket contained fish. But as it was unusually heavy, he examined the inside of the basket and found the hammer head. Sgt. O'Grady said that on the hammer were the letters M.D.C. Ltd. He had made enquiries but could find no local firm which answers to those initials. He thought the hammer must have come off some ship. The defendant repeated that she picked it up from a rubbish heap. His Worship passed sentence of \$10 fine, or, in default, 21 days.

DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE NEEDED.

Two Chinese youths were this morning charged before Mr. Wood with the unlawful possession of a felt hat in Yaumatei. The first defendant said he picked it up, whilst the other said it was given to him by the first defendant to hold for him. The Police said that when taken to the station, the first defendant said he was one of the audience go to sleep in his seat, and he picked up his hat and walked out of the theatre. The first defendant then said that the hat was given to him by a man to pawn. He was to earn 10 cents for his trouble. His Worship remanded the defendants until to-morrow in order to get a doctor's certificate as to whether or not the defendants are fit to be thrashed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG GENERALLY.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Mr. Editor.—It is very refreshing to see one of our newspapers coming out of its shell so boldly and fearlessly, and supporting the ordinary foreign residents on the housing question—by laying out the bare facts, and attacking those who are the chief cause of these bad conditions prevailing. I much appreciate what you have done, what you are doing, and what you will continue to do.

One is glad to see the Government accepting the Hon. Mr. Pollock's proposal—with slight alterations—towards an honest attempt to do something that may assist matters to a definite conclusion, re cheaper houses, and rents, and which may lead to some scheme whereby the tenant may become his own landlord after a period of years. Such schemes are adopted at home, or elsewhere, and it should be within the scope of the powers that be to formulate an easy working plan in this Colony.

The Government in their first attempt to ameliorate things—by making such an agreement with Humphreys' Estate—are assisting the ordinary Britisher very little (as most likely the rents of the new houses will be high), and are thereby playing into the hands of the landlords. The houses will be built on expensive land, and will remain the property of the landlords—not the tenants. Will 8 per cent. be all that Humphreys receive on this deal, and, not 18 per cent., including 5 per cent. for office expenses, and 5 per cent. for the general managers—a form of company our local firms love to get hold of, and, on that account, must be a fine milk cow, and one to be much prized? Is the Colony advancing money to Humphreys at 5 per cent. or 6 per cent. per annum and, have the tenants to pay 18 per cent. for the use of the same money in the shape of rents? Why were British residents not invited to participate in this scheme of advancing money to buy land, and build their own houses? What are the conditions of this agreement? Why cannot it be published, if it is all open to the daylight, and unobjectionable in the eyes of the Government? Would Humphreys not put up rents of their own accord, but, that they must do it—to be in line with the dictators of the Colony as far as house rents are concerned?

How much of this Colony is owned by, and mortgaged to foreign religious corporations? The French Mission is the most objectionable, as it is just a huge octopus, dealing in land, mortgages, houses, companies and mines; acting as architects, exporters, contractors, etc., and consequently using its powers as a sacred—not a secular—body, to carry out those various functions. In fact, it appears to be a vast, commercial enterprise, more than a truly religious one, sheltering itself under its spiritual wings. Its ramifications even permeate the Postal Department of the Chinese Government, of which a Frenchman is the present foreign head, as their Tientsin branch were the architects, if nothing more, for the new postal buildings and commissioners' residences at Kaifeng in Honan, and at Tsinanfu in Shantung Provinces, at a cost of between \$4,500,000. I send herewith articles on, and sketches of these post offices from *The Far Eastern Review* of December, 1919, so that you may note how fine they are!

Are the British aware that they have no rights in Yunnan, Kwangsi, and Kwangtung to work together with the Chinese to promote railways and mines in those provinces, unless such as the French turn down, and, do not wish to develop, and, then the poor Britishers may have a look in? Such is the case, according to the V. Article of the Additional Convention between France and China, signed at Peking on June 20, 1895, copy of which is enclosed, so that you may insert it, with this letter, if you think same of sufficient interest. Rumour says this Convention was confirmed in September, 1914, between the Chinese Government and the French Charge d'Affaires at Peking, and, certainly, if this is correct, does not reflect any kindly feelings towards the British in the hearts of the French Government, which had then fled to Bordeaux, and when the heroic British Army was bleeding to death in a successful effort—by the side of the noble and gallant Poles—to stem the Hunnish hordes? The French Charge d'Affaires could not have arranged this delicate, political matter without instructions from his home Government. Just think of it, if the Hongkongites—before the New Territory was leased to us—had ideas to develop either of those railways and mines on the Chinese side of the Lyceum Pass, we could not have done so, if the French objected, and the Chinese Government upheld them! According to that Article, which is still unrepented, there is no "open door," equal opportunity to all foreigners in Kwangtung and South-West China, and, sooner the British awake from their lethargy, and beset themselves, the better it will be for them. Our interests, want looking after, as the Japanese have almost the same Article in their infamous Twenty-One Demands on poor China regarding Fukien Province—imposed on a threatened invasion of that land—and signed by

THE BOYCOTT.

In view of the report that pressure has been brought from certain diplomatic quarters to bear upon the Chinese Government for stopping the boycott movement against Japanese goods, the undersigned Organizations deem it advisable to make known the exact situation of the boycott movement and their views about it.

The boycott is not, as is sometimes reported in the Japanese papers, instigated by American and British residents in China; nor by Chinese officials; nor by Chinese students. The Students however energetic they may be, being mere youths and forming only a small percentage of the population, could not have made the movement attain such influence as it already has in such a short time in so large a country.

The boycott is a spontaneous protest of the Chinese people against Japanese aggression and injustice which have marked her dealings with China during the last few years, and which are clearly shown in the Twenty One Demands, in the Shantung case, in the recent Poochow outrage, in her ceaseless efforts of supporting and making use of the Chinese militarists and corrupt politicians to serve her own ends to which China's people deeply resent and strongly object.

As it is a spontaneous movement the boycott spreads rapidly and irresistibly and soon gets the support of the whole nation.

It is reported that Japan, by threats of various kinds, is asking the Chinese Government to stop the movement. That the Chinese Government cannot stop such a movement is obvious to all, for no government on earth can compel its people to buy the goods of another nation which they do not desire. Could the Japanese Government compel its people to buy the goods of another nation against their wishes?

While it is entirely out of the power of the Chinese Government to stop the boycott movement, we must clearly point out that there is only one way open to the Japanese Government if it wants to stop the boycott, and this is within its power to adopt: that is to remove the causes of the boycott by reversing her policy of aggression and injustice to that of moderation and fair play, by giving up all pretensions over Tsingtau and Shantung, and by ceasing all further support to the corrupt militarists and politicians, whom the Chinese people have repudiated and would have eliminated long ago but for the Japanese support they have. If Japan would do all this, the boycott movement would stop of itself and Japan would win the lasting friendship of the Chinese people. If Japan would not do so, the whole nation is determined to carry out her plan at any cost until justice is accorded her.

We are a peace-loving people and desire to live in harmony and peace with the rest of the world. We realize that the boycott inflicts hardship not only to the nation boycotted, but also to ourselves. We are willing to undergo this hardship in the hope that we and our children may enjoy the blessings of world peace, which the present policy of military aggression on the part of a stronger power threatens to menace, and we are confident that with the cause of right on our side we shall win.

The Chamber of Commerce.
The Kiangsu Educational Association.
The Shanghai Educational Association.
The World's Chinese Students' Federation.
The National Vocational Educational Association.
The Shanghai Western Returned Students Union.
The Overseas Chinese Association.
The Chinese Christian National Salvation Association.
The Shanghai Fire Brigade Association.

LORD DUNSANY.

General Booking for the three performances of Lord Dunsany's "Tents of the Arabs" and "The Gods of the Mountain" to be given by the Students of the University at the Theatre Royal on February 13th, 14th and 18th opens on Monday at 9 a.m. at Moutrie's. The previous days Advance booking having been very heavy, all those intending to become acquainted with the work of England's great poet-playwright are advised to book without delay.

A Matinee will be given on the 18th February at 5.30 p.m. to which children will be admitted at half price. Special facilities will be extended to schools or large parties, for which early application should be made to the Registrar or to Moutrie's.

The Chinese, early in 1915, under such a menace. Where are we to expand around Hongkong, when France and Japan bar us from those four provinces? Is Father Robert the "open door" for Hongkong? If so, Mr. Editor, keep at your good work.
"READER."
Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1920.

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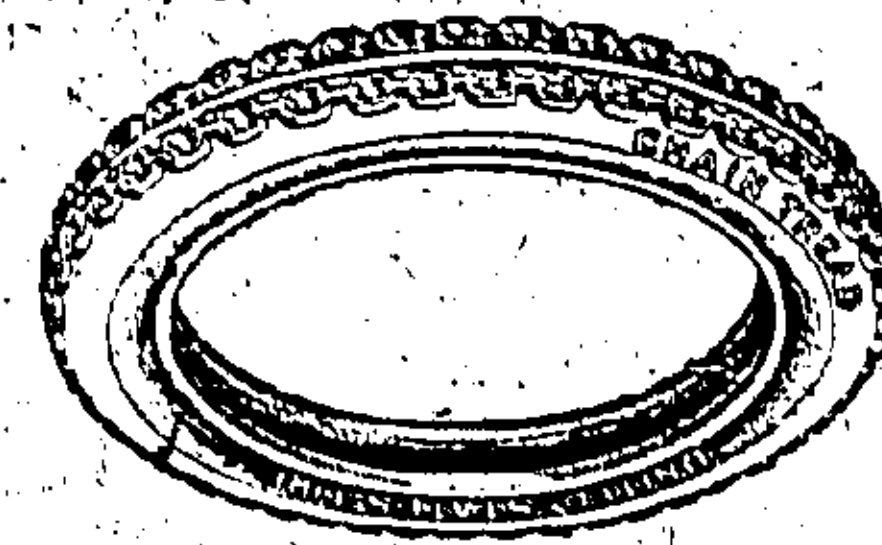
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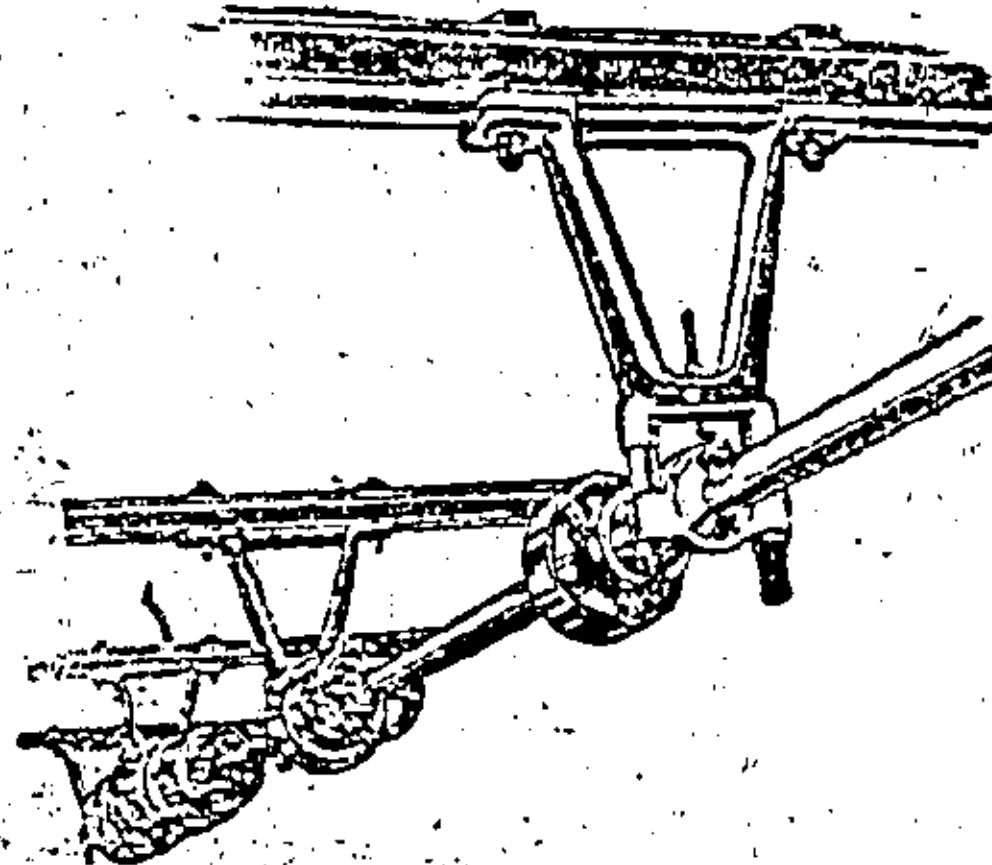
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"We can't run to a fire in the smoking-room," he said. "We are only allowed fourteen tons of coal a year for this huge house. I only wish," he added, "that we were as warm as they are in the prison itself."

"So the Government allows plenty of coal for the prisoners?" I asked. "The temperature of all cells and workshops has to be kept to sixty degrees," he answered. "It is never allowed to fall below that, even in the coldest weather."

The care taken of the inmates of our jails is really rather wonderful and is in striking contrast to the severities of a generation ago. In those days the idea was to allow prisoners just enough of the necessities of life to keep them fit for the very hard labour which was their portion.

To-day the food, if plain, is ample. It is indeed more than the average man requires, and the work is little more than enough to keep them fit and give them an appetite. Even at penal servitude a convict does no more than seven hours a day. He has two hours' rest at midday, and his

HOW THE PRINCE "CUT IN."

MEN ROBBED OF PARTNERS AT DANCES.

New York, Nov. 15.
"I have been listening for the past three days to praises of the Prince of Wales sung by all sorts and conditions of men whom he has met during his stay in Washington."

What has impressed me most has been the obvious sincerity of his admirers, whether they are wounded soldiers with whom he conversed at the hospitals, journalists with whom he spent a jolly evening at the Press Club, or society matrons and debutantes. "The attractive thing about the Prince," a veteran diplomat observed to me at one of the receptions, "is that he is so entirely natural."

This quality of naturalness he has manifested on several occasions, but at no time more amusingly than at a dance given last night. The Prince danced indefatigably, but he seemed quite nonplussed when in the midst of one of the numbers an American "cut in" upon him and took his fair partner away. The Prince's looks betrayed his astonishment.

Another American, observing his discomfiture, approached and explained that "cutting in" was an established custom at Washington dances. The young woman rarely fails to desert a partner if another offers himself in the midst of a dance, for their popularity is publicly attested by the number of changes they can make in a single dance. Those, in fact, who have to complete a dance with their original partner deem their fate as ignominious as that of a wallflower.

THE GIRL AND THE FLAG.
The Prince listened to the explanation with obvious relief and impulsively asked: "Can I then 'cut in'?"

"Certainly," was the reply.
The Prince thereupon selected the prettiest girl in the room and "cut in" triumphantly. He continued his campaign of "cutting in" throughout the rest of the evening and danced every round of every dance.

When receiving a body of newspaper representatives on his arrival at Washington one of the audience boldly asked the Prince if he was receiving as many letters from fair admirers in America as he did in Canada. The Prince turned an inquiring eye on one of his aides, who observed that a few scores of such epistles were arriving daily.

One of these epistles came from a Virginian girl, who expressed a keen desire to have the honour of meeting the Prince, adding that she intended to stand with the British flag in her hand at the corner of the road leading to the entrance of George Washington's country home at Mount Vernon. The newspapers to-day describe with much gusto how the Prince yesterday halted his motor-car outside Mount Vernon, and, after alighting, approached an extraordinarily pretty girl who was waving the British flag, and good humouredly bantered her upon her letter.

At Washington's home he was greeted by a septuagenarian lady who informed him that when she was a child his grandfather had spoken to her. "He kissed me, too," the old lady added as the Prince bowed. — *Weekly Dispatch.*

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HONGKONG BRANCH:

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

MONARCHICAL MOVEMENT IN HUNGARY.

LONDON, January 27th.
A Budapest message to Berlin says: The Christian Socialists and Peasants Party, which advocated the re-establishment of the Monarchy, has secured an overwhelming majority in the Hungarian elections, largely owing to the Social Democrats and Radicals abstaining. The National Assembly will decide who will be the future monarch. It is believed that Prince Otto, eldest son of the Emperor Karl, will be chosen.

GERMANY AND HER WAR CRIMINALS.

PARIS, January 27th.
Germany has sent a note to Paris again requesting the Allies not to demand enforcement of the Article of the treaty as regards the surrender of war criminals.

ADMIRAL VON REUTER RELEASED.

LONDON, January 28th.
Admiral von Reuter, by whose orders the surrendered German Fleet was sunk at Scapa Flow, has been released and has left for Germany.

JUGO-SLAVS AND THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

PARIS, January 28th.
The reply of the Jugo-Slavs to the Allied ultimatum sent on the 21st inst. has arrived and is being decided. It is understood that it is tantamount to a refusal of the Council's proposals, but it proposes a compromise.

HAVAS REVIEW.

PARIS, January 28th.
A Havas message states: The anticipated debate on general policy in the Chamber of Deputies was adjourned until Friday. The Paris International Labour Bureau has fixed the Session's Conference for Geneva in June. The programme of the conference includes: (1) the question of working hours, (2) the question of contracts and wages, excluding the question of an international minimum salary and (3) of work for children under 14 years of age.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(By arrangement with Wah Tsz Yat Po.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 1.
Over 10,000 students, representing 44 schools, assembled at the Tin Mun Gate, Peking, on the snowy morning of the 31st ult. They shouted repeatedly for help to be given to the Tientsin students.

The Police and Military authorities asked the Government to give instructions to deal with the students. The Government told them to keep an eye on the students and to allow no disturbances.

The Cabinet has instructed General Pau Kwai Ting to proceed to Harbin and to take all defensive measures he may think necessary.

Over 5,000 persons, representing 94 public bodies, held a mass meeting at Shanghai. They unanimously resolved to protest against direct negotiation with Japan regarding Shantung; but favoured the Foochow case being settled in accordance with the arrangements as suggested in Peking and Shanghai. After the meeting they marched in rank and "inspected" Japanese goods in the shops.

General Chu Shu Tsang returned to Peking from Mongolia last night. The condition of the five students who received injuries while "inspecting" goods in Tientsin is very critical. It is feared they may die.

About 8,000 students marched along the streets and delivered speeches yesterday. A Japanese ran his motor car through the crowd. No one was hurt.

The Cabinet appoints a committee consisting of seven persons to consider the Shantung case.

Luk Ching Cheung, asked for a month's sick leave. Half a month was granted.

The Peking foreign diplomats are taking a keen interest in the Shantung case and are expressing the opinion that before foreign assistance can be obtained in the matter, China must do something.

Luk Ching Cheung telegraphically informs Dr. Wu Ting Fang that while he remains Minister of Foreign Affairs he is not going to allow the Shantung case to be settled between China and Japan by direct negotiation.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. Wood with the theft from the Taihook Docks, of 28½ lbs of lead, and 12½ lbs of brass wire. He said it was given him by another man, to carry. A Chinese watchman said that when the defendant saw him he ran away. He gave chase and caught the defendant on the seafloor. The defendant threw the bag containing the stolen things into the water. He took the defendant to the station, and later fished the bag out of the water, by means of a boat hook. Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 24th, 12th. 35m.—No returns from Vladivostok Japan, the Philippines or the Marianas.

Pressure has increased considerably over N. China, and moderately over S. China.

An anticyclone has formed over Mongolia.

The monsoon will set in again along the east coast of China and over the northern portion of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.04 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.10 inches—against an average of 1.58 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. on January 3rd, 1920:

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. N. winds, fresh, some drizzling rain or mist, colder.

2.—Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamcocks. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

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FEBRUARY 2, 1920.—a.m.

Naha.....	"						
Ichijima.....	"						
Bonin Islands.....	"						
Yokohama.....	6 a.	30.31	57	100	SW	10	o
Hankow.....	"						
Chang.....	"						
Ki-kiang.....	"						
Changsha.....	"						
Shanghai.....	"	30.10	57	100	SW	6	o
Gutzlaff.....	"	30.33	56	100	SW	6	b
Amoy.....	6 a.	30.09	52	93	W	4	o
Swatow.....	6 a.	29.83	60	98	S	2	o
Swatow.....	"						
Taihook.....	5 a.	29.91	66	90	W	4	b
Taihu.....	"	29.84	66	90	W	4	b
Taiwan.....	"	29.94	66	90	W	4	b
Koehun.....	"	29.33	66	90	SW	6	b
Shanghai.....	"	29.91	72	94	SW	6	b
Canzon.....	6 a.	29.91	59	70	S	5	o
Hongkong.....	"	29.88	71	08	S	0	of
Camp Rock.....	"	29.88			X	3	f
Kozo.....	"	29.85	68	98	S	0	of
Wachow.....	9 a.						
Pakhoi.....	"						
Malacca.....	"						
Prulien.....	7 a.						
Yourine.....	7 a.						
C. St. James.....	"						
Aparr.....	6 a.						
Dagupan.....	"						
Manila.....	"						
Legaspi.....	"						
Acapulco.....	"						
Obito.....	"						
Surigao.....	"						
Guam.....	4.20						
Labuan.....	5 a.	29.77	78	91	X	4	b